

**MINUTES**  
**NEIGHBORHOOD ENHANCEMENT COMMISSION**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**Wednesday, February 4, 2004**  
**1st Floor, One Civic Center**

**Present:** Chairman John Shultz  
Vice Chair Patty Badenoch  
Commissioners Sue Alsworth, John Horwitz  
Dick Kiesell and George Knowlton

**Absent:** Nancy Wendorf (arrived 5:30 PM & left 6:30 PM)

**Staff Present:** Raun Keagy, Joanie Mead

**CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

A regular meeting of the Neighborhood Enhancement Commission was called to order at 5:30 PM and members were present as stated above.

**APPROVAL OF 1/7/04 MEETING MINUTES**

THERE WERE NO MINUTES AVAILABLE FOR APPROVAL.

**DISCUSSION OF CITIZEN AND NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCES DEPARTMENT – ED GAWF, DEPUTY CITY MANAGER**

Chairman Schultz informed the committee that the meeting would commence with Ed Gawf, Deputy City Manager.

Mr. Gawf opened by discussing issues within CNR, the City as well as neighborhoods in general. He is directly responsible for and oversees the Planning Development, Preservation, CNR and Transportation departments as well as other special projects.

Mr. Gawf reported to the committee that one of the City Manager, Jan Dolan's highest priorities is focusing on the southern part of our community – south of Indian Bend. He has been asked to head up the group within the City that will focus specifically on this area. Of those projects, the Downtown Office was created w/ John Little that will allow him to focus more on the southern (mature) section of the city.

He discussed the changes that would be taking place in the Code Enforcement area that would allow for more inspectors, with each focusing on specific areas. The code enforcement districts will also be realigned for better coordination of code inspectors and police officers, as there are more of the latter. Items will be announced to Council, at best, by Friday. As discussed at the neighborhood meetings, the goal is to have a Code Enforcement team that is courteous, professional but firm.

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Commissioner Knowlton commented that the neighborhood meeting was one of the best he had attended with the City Manager and Police Chief turning around 180 degrees from what was being done and committing to doing more for the area (south Scottsdale); close to 200 citations have been written in the past month – the neighbors are very pleased.

Vice Chair Badenoch's concern focused on citizens operating businesses out of their homes – Mr. Gawf stated that the issue is a work in progress and Mr. Keagy continues to look into this concern. Raun has the verbiage on this issue and will make it available to the commissioners.

Commissioner Wendorf posed the question of statistically, what is the percentage of citations given to renters vs. homeowners – Most problems usually arise with rental properties, but the department works with both the homeowner as well as the renter; no statistical information is available.

Chairman Schulz 's wanted to know in the instance of the code violator being elderly, disabled or low-income and unable to pay fines would, the department or the City look at possibly starting or utilizing rehab/CDBG funding in that target area – The department would work closely w/ Connie James in the Community Services department on these situations.

Mr. Gawf will address the committee next month on issues addressed during tonight's meeting.

**OVERVIEW OF HOUSING INVENTORY AND ACTION PLAN – RICH CRYSTAL, CRYSTAL AND COMPANY**

In the absence of Molly Edwards, Mr. Crystal presented an overview and presentation of findings from the Scottsdale housing inventory that his company completed.

The presentation focused on three major areas of the city - mature Scottsdale (area south of Indian Bend; Central – Indian Bend north to CAP; and North – from CAP to canal north. Statistical information presented was gathered from tax rolls and will be used in preparation of white papers for programs that will address issues of importance.

A hard copy of the presentation is available.

**DISCUSSION OF LINKS COLLABORATIVE – JUDY CRIDER and BRUCE JOHNSON, LINKS COLLABORATIVE**

Ms. Crider and her colleague Mr. Johnson were present and opened the discussion by giving the committee some background information on the Links Collaborative.

The organizations mission is be committed to sharing resources and responsibilities to produce a safe, healthy and productive community.

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The organizations focus is helping the community and organizations work together to strengthen relationships. Commissioner Kiesell wanted to know about the organizations incorporation and does it have by-laws and who is it governed by – Ms. Crider responded that the organization is governed by a board of directors and reports to City Manager, Jan Dolan and 8 core partners or leadership counsel.

The organization is described as a “think tank” and is not a “city” sponsored organization. Ms. Crider will report back to the committee in six (6) months on the activities of the organization.

### **STAFF AND COMMISSION UPDATES (A.R.S. 38-431.02 (K))**

Raun Keagy encouraged attendance at the upcoming Budget Roundtable meetings. He reported that the funds allocated for the 2004-2005 fiscal year for the Neighborhood Enhancement Program are being recommended and there has been no discussion of reduction in those funds.

The next budget meeting will be held on February 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in the Community Design Studio. Raun will follow-up with Commissioner Wendorf on this issue and keep the committee informed.

Commissioner Alsworth's last meeting with the committee will be tonight.

### **OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC (ARS 38-431.02) - None**

### **NEXT MEETING DATE AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The next meeting date will be March 3, 2004 PM and the agenda will include Ed Gawf, Crime Analysis report, Hohokam Review with Judy Register and a report from the Police Department from Capt. Marshall.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Danise Riley  
Secretary